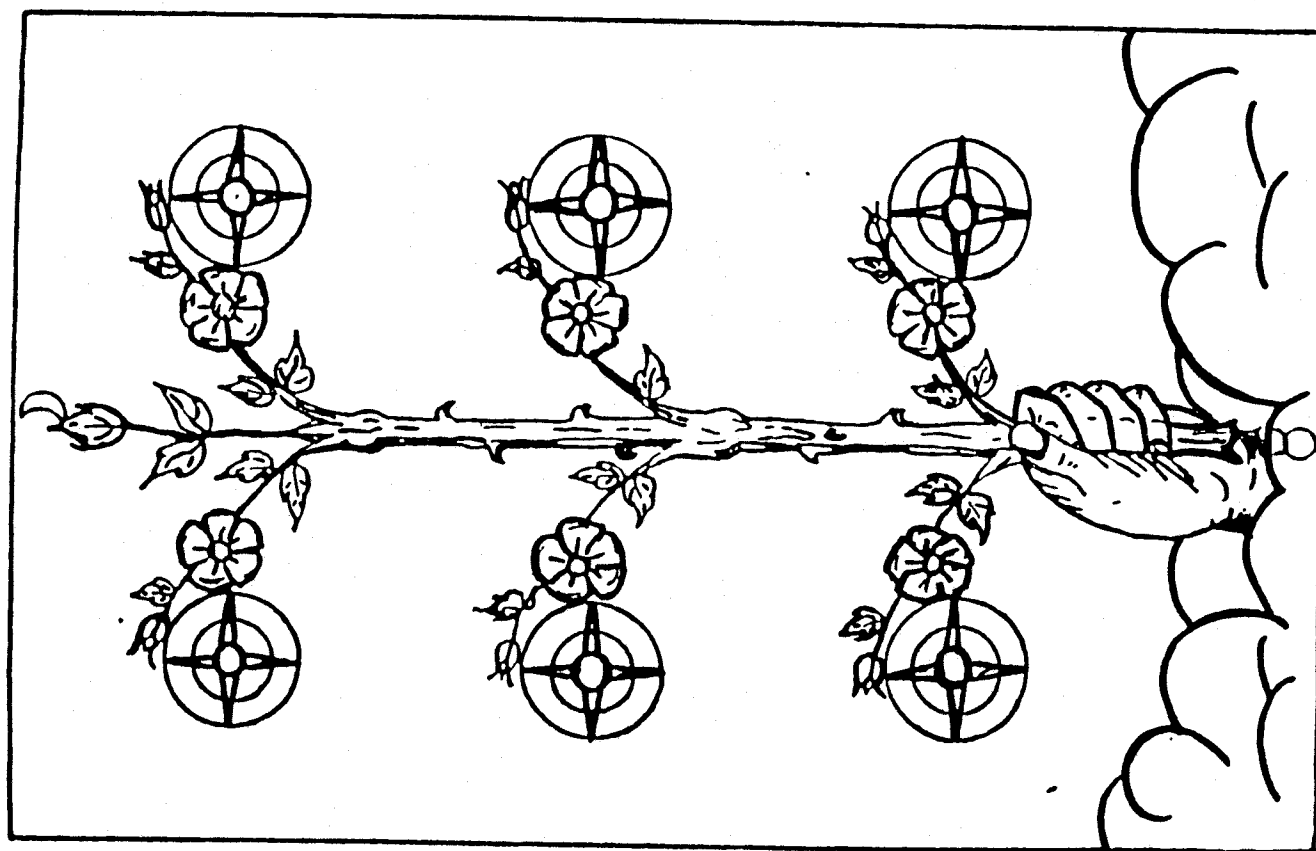


LESSON 87

SIX OF DISKS



LESSON 87

6 of Disks

"Lord of Material Success"

10 - 20 degrees Taurus

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A white radiant angelic hand holding a rose branch with white roses and buds, each of which touches a pentacle. Pentacles are arranged in two columns of three each.

Here we have the lunar influence of Gimel pouring into Tiphareth - straight from Kether - which gives the rose tree a chance to bloom under the influence of Tiphareth - the 6th Kabbalistic sphere. The watery emotional aspect of Luna is stabilised here by Taurus showing a continuous controlled flow of energy from the godhead.

There are six roses and six rose buds which add to the number twelve, which is a reflection of the twelve zodiac signs shown in the Ace of Disks. The six disks represent the six planets and the card itself is the Sun (Tiphareth). This symbolism shows the full establishment of earth, for the earth is not complete without its zodiac and planets surrounding, and reaffirms what was established in the Ace of Disks. The mere presence of the 6 roses in bloom and the six rose buds growing therefrom shows that whatever one attempts, one will reap a hundred per cent more back in the harvest.

The central disk from the 5 of Disks has now generated in the 6 of Disks two roses, and from that two other disks and two buds. This is because in the previous card the roses had fallen leaving the nourishment in the central stem. Apart from being over burdened from the previous card we must also consider the element of time and the seasons. In the previous card time had run out for the roses, but with the introduction of the lunar force in the 6 of Disks, sap has been drawn up through the stem from the nourishment below the clouds to produce additional roses and disks. The lunar force also shows great expectations for future development.

Alchemically the 6 of Disks is time. There is a right time for everything and whereas in the 5 of Disks the time was wrong, the time is right in this card, which holds its secret in its planetary association. Here the shadow has flown away (the rust) leaving the hidden essence to create in all its magistry.

The 6 of Disks is coloured in the Princess Scale. The background is coloured the colour of the Sign, Dark Green, and the disks are coloured the colour of the Planet, Bluish White rayed with Silver Blue. The centre of the disks and stars therefrom are Brilliant White. The rose bush is the complementary colour to the background, Dark Red Violet. The hand, roses, rose buds and clouds are Brilliant White. The background is painted dark at the bottom to translucent at the top.

The workings of the Spiritual Law shine onto the earth as the lunar ray of the Bluish White disks rayed with Silver Blue are brought into the world of manifestation (Dark Green) by the Dark Red Violet. Into the world of instinct comes flickers of spiritual insight lightening ones heart of the burdens of life. And the gates between two realms have been flung open flooding the world of image with manifested form.

The Planet and Sign associated to the 6 of Disks is Moon in Taurus. The Moon in Taurus attracts wealth and the material comforts of life, emotions are stable and emotional security is very important. Although a quiet and unimpulsive character, the Moon in Taurus person can be quite persistent in his aims. He is materialistic and relies on pleasures of the senses. The Moon in Taurus shows gain in property and monetarily prosperous affairs. It brings friends through whom you'll derive pleasure and assistance in your life; some result in lasting friendships. Most of all though, the Moon in Taurus represents the spring time, which is new life and growth for both young and old. Full Moon in Taurus is the alchemists' moon of transition and new beginnings along with other hidden secrets. The Moon in Taurus character can be a trustworthy, secretive individual and involve himself in the search for the secret knowledge.

Tiphareth of Heh (success in material things, prosperity in business).

DIVINATION

ON MATTERS OF the Physical Body; Selfhood; Self Projection; new ideas; new beginnings; reactions to outside stimuli; the life force; first encounters:

The 6 of Disks portrays a powerful personality. There is a desire for fame and success but also a need to be one of the people and glide with the times. The ability to create form out of thought enables one to attain anything one wants, although, at times, vanity and pride misuse this ability. Ones physical body is strong and ones selfhood is domineering, but because one may fear a loss of resources, one is cautious in ones approach to others. Group activities in commencing new ideas etc., should be avoided for they will receive donations of time and money that you can ill afford at present. This card shows that one must accept reality, and stop feeling sorry for oneself, uncover your versatility and put it to use. "Personal Power".

ON MATTERS OF possessions and personal attitude towards such; personal estate and resources both physical and material; principles and feelings; management and projection; commerce, personal, commercial, governmental and national financial affairs directly relating to the self:

The 6 of Disks in this position shows success in material matters and prosperity in personal business. You can expect to receive a gift or a proposition. There is attachment to personal

comforts and time is spent acquiring material possessions. Negatively aspected (by the surrounding cards) you may receive threats to your prosperity. However, generally the 6 of Disks shows, under the above matters recovery of debts and a stabilisation of adverse conditions causing a turn for the better. Personal estates and resources will grow, governmental organisations will be benevolent to the public. Affairs concerning management and projection come to a successful result, benefiting all parties. "Material Success".

ON MATTERS OF short journeys; communications; relationships; brothers, sisters, neighbours; humour; identity; early education; books; correspondence; enlarging ones field of activity:

The 6 of Disks in this position shows someone giving thought and consideration towards the needs of their family and neighbours, brings success in their relationships. Emotional and financial security is very important to you so there must be continued communications with friends, family and neighbours, so do not cut your communications with those who are able to enrich your life or you will end up very lonely. Educational matters are successful, exams are passed. The dilemma of choosing a career arises; perhaps you can choose one where you deal with the public. Correspondence brings good news and one now has the resources to be able to enlarge ones field of activity.

"Companionship"

ON MATTERS OF the end of one stage and the commencement of

another; the home and private life; buildings; land; parents; security; emotions; significant shifts in lifes directions; concerning the soul; the occult in its practical terms; divination:

Divination for the purposes of fortune telling is depicted here by the 6 of Disks in this position as the querent is not sincere in his/her needs. There is a close tie with parents which gives you much happiness; help them as much as you can and you will reap twofold. In finding a way to earn a satisfactory living the 6 of Disks shows financial and material benefits. Special favours are returned and general prosperity is enjoyed in the home. For some, the home also is ones temple, therefore a certain amount of sacredness is felt towards ones possessions. For the many, the need for purity of the soul is not forgotten and the home becomes ones spiritual centre, but in most cases it is the ideal and satisfaction of the ego and not the soul. "Place of Worship".

ON MATTERS OF love given; creativity of selfhood; the creative will; children; entertainment; recreation; speculation; sports; the arts; gambling; fulfilling potentiality:

Kindness of heart and sympathy towards others exudes love which in turn brings gifts, material of the soul. Sports, arts etc., are patronised and an award is won. If referring to gambling there is a win. Badly aspected, the 6 of Disks shows that one is prodigal. Under matters of creativity of selfhood and will, the 6 of Disks represents the very powerful, for here we have

adaptability and versatility in matters, like the direct rays of Kether acting through Tiphareth. In matters of children there is a fruitfulness, and future success by your children. Entertainment and recreation is well earned after a duration of hard work and difficulty. Your efforts have paid off. "Patronage".

ON MATTERS OF sickness (generally due to work problems); employment: employees; relationships within the work environment; conflicts; service; ones sense of service; the acquiring of skills; psychology:

Difficult times have finally been overcome and ones affairs under the above matters stabilise to a materially successful state. Health problems through work are overcome and new employment or projects are gained. Ones wages are raised and you will receive help or encouragement from those above. This is not however the time to take a vacation, for one must work at maintaining a successful standard of work. The 6 of Disks also represents occupations where people are employed in serving others, e.g. charity and worldwide benefit organisations. This card also warns one of possible bribery, which may be financially beneficial, but one may lose face and respectability.

"Encouragement".

ON MATTERS OF marriage and divorce; contracts; the other party; competitors, adversaries, and known enemies; partnerships; public relationships; social interaction; the law of compensation; what is lacking; the workings of karma:

Be careful of the demands of others and analyse what your efforts will cost before agreeing to meet their demands. Discuss your financial affairs privately, if at all, and only with those you can trust. Social activities will bring one before the public and marital disputes come to a successful conclusion. Relationships and partnerships are materially beneficial and ones marital connections aids one to climb the social ladder. Success under the above matters must, however, be compensated by input and dedications. The 6 of Disks is fortunate here for it shows very little, if anything, lacking in ones life. "Connections".

ON MATTERS OF death and rebirth; accidents; effects of others; crime and retribution; legacies; wills; others estates and finances; joint resources; moods; sex; spiritualism; rejuvenation; mysticism; transformation; psychotherapy:

Lost objects are found and one receives a substantial inheritance. Dealings in others estates and businesses brings financial gain for all parties. If well aspected (by the surrounding cards) those on trial for a crime may receive a pardon, but if ill dignified a heavy fine or bail will be set. The 6 of Disks represents someone who has been through difficult times and the tide is now turning for the better. Profits are made from spiritualism or mysticism. Tired people or waning sexual affairs are rejuvenated, and partnerships re-enforce their bonds. You are attracted to successful people. "Financial Gain".

ON MATTERS OF religion; metaphysics; philosophy; higher study and education; legal systems; morals; institutions of learning; long distance travel; exploration; public communications; the collective mind:

Here the 6 of Disks shows those who accumulate around themselves all the believed material necessities for their spiritual or higher educational training. They work hard at achieving their aims in life and reap twofold the fruits of their work, however this is only on a material level for their scope of spiritual understanding is limited. Nevertheless effort to increase ones knowledge brings reward enough in the knowledge acquired. In legal matters there is a sure judgment according to the morals of society. Travel brings success although it will be costly financially. A person may take up residence in another locality far away from their current residence, if they haven't already just moved. "Ornamental".

ON MATTERS OF public honour; status; ambitions and goals reached; achievements; profession; the other parent; causes for disgrace; recognition; identity:

In this position the 6 of Disks portrays consistent ambition after material success and shows successful dealings in money and trade. In defining your objectives you'll win the approval of superiors and followers, and your work may bring you before the public, although the 6 of disks does not mean the masses. You

will encounter people with a deep sense of devotion to their work; there may be jealousy. Attachment to the material comforts in life prevent a change of career. Although there appears to be continued success, one must always watch for pot-holes to trip you up. "Material Comfort".

ON MATTERS OF friends; income; social alliances; legislation; ones attitude; group activities; government, counsellors; love received; spiritual and intellectual aspirations; ideals; fulfilment; what you yield and how you benefit others:

Under the above matters the 6 of Disks represents those who work in charitable services, and have a need for group activities. Money and personal effort is given to help the needy. This card is fortunate in relation to friends who are a wealth of emotional, physical and/or financial support. Spiritual and intellectual inspirations work on a physical level to make the body whole. In governmental, group, counselling and social matters there are concrete achievements and one can expect to see the fruits thereof. What you yield will be returned two fold. "Philanthropist".

ON MATTERS OF responsibility and contribution to others; humanistic concerns; karmic debts; unresolved problems; hidden resources; the unconscious; sorrow; health afflictions; secret enemies; hospitals; secret societies; self undoing; total identification:

A feeling of responsibility falls on one to help pull other people around you up in their life, as you have done for yourself. Thus physical effort and financial aid is given which can tax you greatly, and so the 6 of Disks in this position generally means a loss of material gain. However there is another type of gain one receives that needs no description. On the other hand this card, if aspected so, can mean material gain at the expense of others. The past still has a strong hold over you and the unconscious still interferes with ones waking life. "Fast Ties".

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6 of Disks: "Lord of Material Success"

(Second Stage Dissolution)

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| In 1st position: | "Personal Power" |
| In 2nd position: | "Material Success" |
| In 3rd position: | "Companionship" |
| In 4th position: | "Place of Worship" |
| In 5th position: | "Patronage" |
| In 6th position: | "Encouragement" |
| In 7th position: | "Connections" |
| In 8th position: | "Financial Gain" |
| In 9th position: | "Ornamentation" |
| In 10th position: | "Material Comfort" |
| In 11th position: | "Philanthropist" |
| In 12th position: | "Past Ties" |

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MEDITATION ON THE SIX OF DISKS:

Let the Student first study the overall picture of the card, then study each detail. Study the colours.

Now let the Student look at the card and feel its vibrations.

Write down your overall impression.

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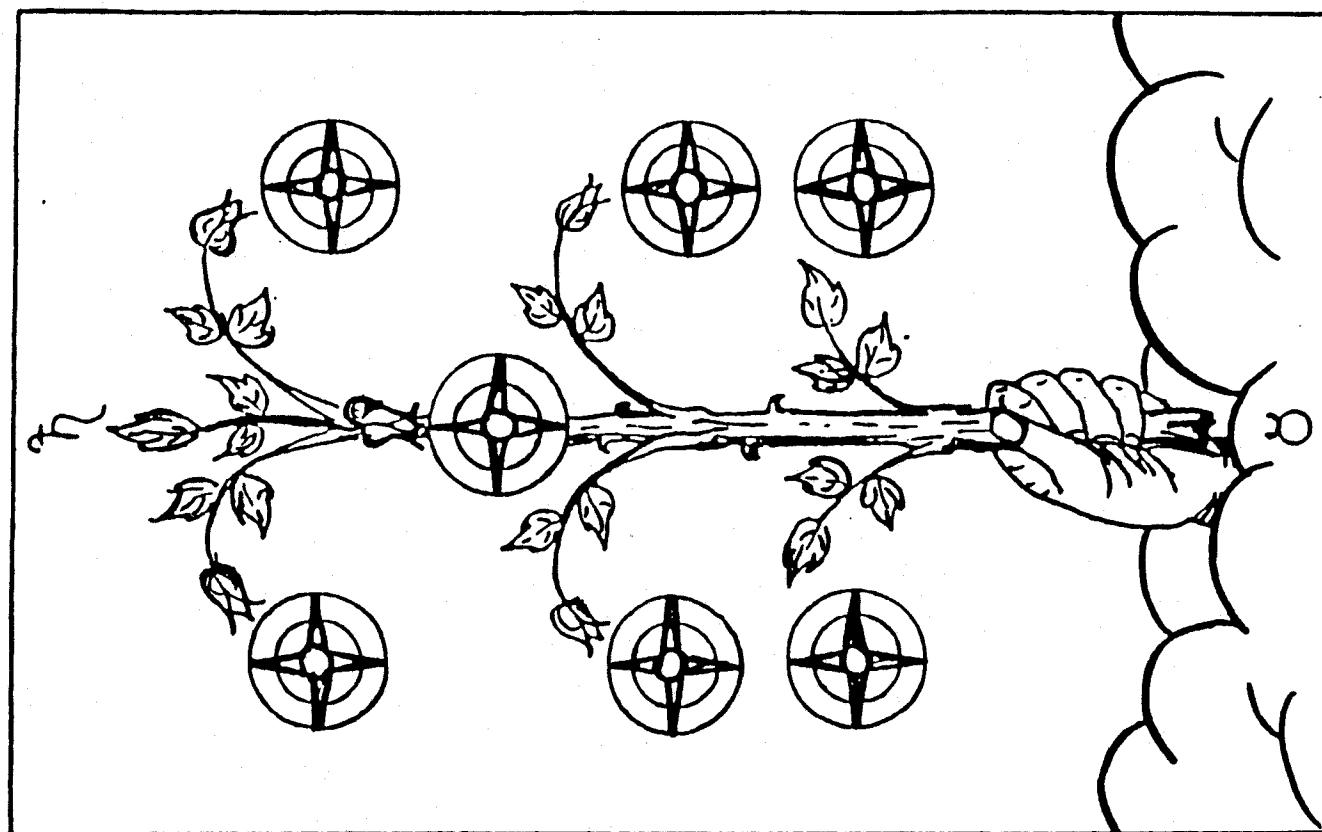
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Now paint this card with the above described colours. An outlined drawing is supplied with this lesson.

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LESSON 88

SEVEN OF DISKS





LESSON 88

7 of Disks

"Lord of Success Unfulfilled"

20 - 30 degrees Taurus

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A white radiant angelic hand issuing from a cloud, holding a branch of white rose buds with seven pentacles on them, arranged in the figure of Rubeus. There are only five buds, which overhang, but do not touch the five uppermost pentacles.

In the previous card the vibrational pitch allowed enough energy through for the roses to bloom and the pentacles or disks to formulate. Here the extra disk has drained the energy so that the buds form, but there is not yet enough nourishment in the tree for them to bloom. What looks like a good start has not or does not materialise.

The new rose buds show two aspects: there has been an initial partial failure, or a start has been made in line with the universal law. This card deals with the world of desire and the key to it is to understand the magnetic law of attract and repel, which is generated by the forces of the two poles - positive and negative, which themselves are the law of our planet and the cosmos. Stability is then produced between the opposites.

The symbols portrayed here are the downward pointing

triangle above a rectangle. This shows the power descending rather than ascending and being caught in stone where a temple for the spirit is built (matter), and these forces are subject to equilibrium.

Alchemically the 7 of Disks represents a stage where the work has not reached purity, for although it is newly white in the upper levels (the 4 overhanging rose buds) it is still corrupt beneath (the 2 lower disks with no roses), and this is the process by which it goes for it is said by Flamel: 'that Rebis will begin to whiten in this same manner, whitening first at the extremities, then all around this white circle. The Ladder of Philosophers (Scala Philosoph) says: "The sign of the first part of the Whiteness is when one sees a certain little capillary circle, that is to say, one passing overhead, which will appear around the matter on the sides of the Vessel, in a colour approaching orange".' And out of the darkness a son is born.

The 7 of Disks is coloured in the Princess Scale. The disks are the colour of the planet, Greyish Brown rayed Blue. The centres of the disks and stars thereof are Brilliant White. The background is coloured Deep Grey Green, deep in colour close to the clouds and translucent gradually towards the top of the card. The rose bush is Dark Red Violet. The clouds, hand and rose buds are coloured Brilliant White.

Amongst the heaviest of the above mentioned colours is glimmering hope, shown by the blue rays which typify potential

growth, shown by the small white buds which are nourished by the dark Red Violet rose bush. The Greyish Brown and the Deep Grey Green are the restrictive colours of matter and limit any intellectual or spiritual growth. They keep the consciousness on material concerns for basic physical survival and block out the unconscious which makes the darkness the unknown. The Deep grey Green encourages depression; and the Greyish Brown encourages melancholiness and doubt. These are the colours that surround those that doubt and are shown the words of the Gods and cry for proof but do not see.

The astrological association to the 7 of Disks is Saturn in Taurus. This configuration gives extreme earthly heaviness; it is structure and stability and its key frame of reference is "need", for it needs structure and stability to feel secure, emotionally and financially. It gives unlimited endurance and reliability, following the letter of materialistic principles and social concepts. Such people under this influence need to develop financial security and the lesson they must try to learn is to balance their sense of values to material possessions. These people are rarely spontaneous or giving in their natures for they have rigid habit patterns, a strong will and lack of trust in other people. Once attachments are formed it is difficult to let go. They rigidly structure their own lives and if they can get away with it, the lives of others as well.

Duty and responsibility are the two functions that hold the mind in check. With Saturn in Taurus this also prevents the mind

from drawing on deeper resources. When one does finally turn inward those with Saturn in Taurus can develop a powerful inner strength.

Netzach of Heh (unprofitable speculations and employments; little gain for much labour)

DIVINATION

ON MATTERS OF the Physical Body; Selfhood; Self Projection; new ideas; new beginnings; reactions to outside stimuli; the life force; first encounters:

Good intentions and promises of success do not get the job done. The 7 of Disks in this position shows a person who may intend well, set goals and give promises, but alas are not fulfilled due to lack of resources or foresight of the problems that would be encountered, but generally through a lack of energy (nourishment) and genuine Will to complete what was started. So there are enthusiastic beginnings, false promises and feigned sincerity. Enthusiastic while stimulated by an external source, but little inner power or will to continue once the source is removed. "Emphemeral".

ON MATTERS OF possessions and personal attitude towards such; personal estate and resources both physical and material; principles and feelings; management and projection; commerce, personal, commercial, governmental and national financial affairs

directly relating to the self:

Under the above matters the 7 of Disks represents a possible loss of fortune, thinning out ones means of income, or a lessening of tangible resources. One loses through business dealings for personal gain. Financial gain is slight and isolated. Promises of success to the individual by governmental or national organisations are not fulfilled. Principles and feelings are limited to the social and commercial structure, giving defined ideas of right and wrong, (or wrong if you think you can get away with it). Ones attitude is very materialistic and concentrated on financial gain. "Success Unfulfilled".

ON MATTERS OF short journeys; communications; relationships; brothers, sisters, neighbours; humour; identity; early education; books; correspondence; enlarging ones field of activity:

In this position the 7 of Disks shows contemplation. Ones silence becomes annoying to family or other relationships and can be quite often misinterpreted as contempt. If well aspected a lot of energy is put into early education, but generally this card shows unfinished schooling, plans for a good education goes astray, a student loses interest. To deepen ones sense of security you must force a broadening of your sphere of learning and activity, otherwise your ideas and opinions will only be expressed in the abstract, and will probably be very bias, without having immediate experience necessary for credence. Limits to relationships are defined. "Contemplation".

ON MATTERS OF the end of one stage and the commencement of another; the home and private life; buildings; land; parents; security; emotions; significant shifts in lifes directions; concerning the soul; the occult in its practical terms; divination:

Without parental backing in ones earlier years one misses out on alot of activities, as their interest is only given energy when being supported by another. The 7 of Disks shows attempts at improving the structure of your home or environment, but failing in the attempt, or loosing interest before completion. You may encounter poverty and indebtedness and your obligations to parents and family are more pressing than normal, cramping any freedom you may want. Experience of direct Karma is represented here; try to weather it out and you will benefit in the long run. If you run away from your problems they will eventually find you again. "Loss of Interest".

ON MATTERS OF love given; creativity of selfhood; the creative will; children; entertainment; recreation; speculation; sports; the arts; gambling; fulfilling potentiality:

The 7 of Disks in this position shows a person whose vitality has reduced, and someone who is very serious about himself in activities under the above matters. There is a sadness and a lack of love given, especially to children who need a great deal more care than the adult. There are blockages to ones creative will with inhibitions preventing free expression. People

receiving this card here will be going through a period of creative frustration. A sense of loneliness is realised even in a crowd. Recreation is unsuccessful in its purpose as one does not relax, for the mind dwells on serious thoughts. If gambling you will loose money in the attempt to make up for previous losses. "Seriousness".

ON MATTERS OF sickness (generally due to work problems); employment: employees; relationships within the work environment; conflicts; service; ones sense of service; the acquiring of skills; psychology:

In matters of employment, an application may be turned down. For those employed, discipline and hard work are needed for one to fare well. A heavy investment is made to develop ones skills. In matters of health, money is spent on medical help to find a cure, which will not take place without a lot of conscientious effort on your part, for this card suggests a necessary period of adjustment in ones health habits. Ones discriminative faculties may work overtime which can lead to depression, or psychosomatic tendencies due to over criticism of the self and dissatisfaction with ones surroundings. Under the above matters one may be pressured to work harder, be more organised and disciplined. "Hard Work".

ON MATTERS OF marriage and divorce; contracts; the other party; competitors, adversaries, and known enemies; partnerships; public relationships; social interaction; the law of compensation; what

is lacking; the workings of karma:

The 7 of Disks in this position shows a withholding of emotional commitment to relationships. Relationships, marital or otherwise will have to be worked at. This card if well aspected (by the surrounding cards) may indicate a potential mate. Delays in contracts and forming partnerships are indicated, with financial consolidation at a later stage. A partner withdraws into his/herself to get a clearer perspective of his/her life. This is a trying time for marriages and a deciding time for relationships, decisions and commitments. There is no compensation here as matters will be one way or the other - karma is at work making people face up to facts. "Non-Committal".

ON MATTERS OF death and rebirth; accidents; effects of others; crime and retribution; legacies; wills; others estates and finances; joint resources; moods; sex; spiritualism; rejuvenation; mysticism; transformation; psychotherapy:

Under the above matters there is an element of intimidation when the 7 of Disks turns up here. The financial power of others appears quite awesome, leaving you to feel dissatisfied with your own achievements. Compare what you get out of your services to what others receive and analyse your approach more carefully; Life may be not so bad after all. Ultimations will be encountered in your life; perhaps you should get your affairs, wills, and estates in order. One may go through a period of sexual frustration. The lesson to be learnt is self containment.

"Ultimations".

ON MATTERS OF religion; metaphysics; philosophy; higher study and education; legal systems; morals; institutions of learning; long distance travel; exploration; public communications; the collective mind:

Assimilate your lifes experiences, structure a meaningful goal or form of self improvement, then push on. Under the above matters the 7 of Disks warns one to define ones beliefs, otherwise no matter how much you learn, the essence necessary to give it life and meaning is not grasped. This is a time when people feel the urge to structure more forms of learning, toward self improvement. However the 7 of Disks also shows very little drive in carrying ones urges through. It is through the Will that one will go forth, so strengthen and purify your will, be positive as this card shows negativity at the brink of success. "Initiating".

ON MATTERS OF public honour; status; ambitions and goals reached; achievements; profession; the other parent; causes for disgrace; recognition; identity:

The 7 of Disks represents growth through hard work, dealings with money in business, but unavoidable delays. There will be a long wait before the fruits of your work can be realised. People will not volunteer their services unless paid for their efforts. heavy responsibility comes with professionalism and this card shows a heavy influence from ones career; a feeling of unfulfil-

led success and frustration with ones career and current goals. There will be little fulfilment in public honour and one has a detached perception of ones reputation compared to how others see you. "Delayed Success".

ON MATTERS OF friends; income; social alliances; legislation; ones attitude; group activities; government, counsellors; love received; spiritual and intellectual aspirations; ideals; fulfilment; what you yield and how you benefit others:

The 7 of Disks in this position shows volunteer work for communities, social services and the like without hope of reward. Friendships are formed initially through physical attraction but these are not lasting due to lack of mental harmony. In governmental affairs one may encounter inertia among employees thereby causing delays. Success however, is still not lost if a bit of effort is made and stimulæ given in the right area. Group attendance will dwindle and enthusiasm is lost, but there are the few whose ideals and aspirations carry groups through their difficult times. There are financial worries for organisations, societies or groups. "Apathy".

ON MATTERS OF responsibility and contribution to others; humanistic concerns; karmic debts; unresolved problems; hidden resources; the unconscious; sorrow; health afflictions; secret enemies; hospitals; secret societies; self undoing; total identification:

Here the 7 of Disks advises that to realise a financially secure retirement you must be careful in using your resources during your earlier years. There is an element here of self-dislike, which causes self-persecution. Other people don't share your feelings and see another side of you; look at yourself through their eyes and start looking after yourself - it is never too late. Health afflictions represented by this card in this position are laryngeal consumption, catarrh, loss of voice, decay of the gums and teeth, diphtheria, dying body tissue, and tightening arterial tissue. This card shows a sickness of a long duration, but there is hope for recovery. Karmic debts may be monetary or one may have to give ones services without reward. "Sickness".

Z of Disks: "Lord of Success Unfulfilled"

(Third Stage Dissolution)

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| In 1st position: | "Ephemeral" |
| In 2nd position: | "Success Unfulfilled" |
| In 3rd position: | "Contemplation" |
| In 4th position: | "Loss of Interest" |
| In 5th position: | "Seriousness" |
| In 6th position: | "Hard Work" |
| In 7th position: | "Non-Committal" |
| In 8th position: | "Ultimations" |
| In 9th position: | "Initiating Feelings" |
| In 10th position: | "Delayed Success" |
| In 11th position: | "Apathy" |
| In 12th position: | "Sickness" |

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Now let the Student look at the card and feel its vibrations.

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